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OCTOBER 27.

The President, Dr. RUSCHENBERGER, in the chair.

Twenty-five members present.

Chapter XIV., Art. V. of the By-Laws was amended to read as follows: "Six members shall constitute a quorum. Except the election of members and correspondents, no question other than purely scientific shall be decided at any meeting unless at least twenty members vote;" the words "except the election of members and correspondents" being added to the original article.

The following paper was presented for publication:—  
"Synopsis of the Muridæ of North America." By Dr. Elliott Coues, U. S. A.

W. S. Bissel, Dr. A. M. Owen, U. S. N., James Dougherty, Daniel Maul, John Rothermel, John B. Robinson, Charles H. Howell, and Mrs. Elizabeth V. Graham, were elected members.

Dr. A. E. Carothers, of Saltillo, Mexico, was elected a Correspondent.

On report of the Committee to which it was referred, the following paper was ordered to be published:—